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SUBJ: LETTER TO UNDER SECRETARY SISCO FROM POLITICAL ADVISER
NU'MAN ON ASSISTANCE TO YEMEN

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED LETTER DATED JANUARY 21 FROM
POLITICAL ADVISER TO PRESIDENT MUHAMMAD NU'MAN ADDRESSED
TO UNDER SECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS SISCO, WHOM
NU'MAN REMEMBERS GRATEFULLY FOR HIS ROLE IN STIMULATING
AID TO YEMEN. LETTER, WHICH WAS PROMPTED BY SISCO
GREETINGS ON MOSLEM HOLIDAY, AND TRANSLATION BEING
POUCHED. NU'MAN LETTERS TO SECRETARY (SANAA 133)
AND SISCO WERE APPROVED BY PRESIDENT IRYANI. FOLLOW-
ING IS SUMMARY:

2. AMBASSADOR CRAWFORD HAS PROVIDED US WITH A
SUMMARY OF CURRENT AMERICAN AID (COPY BEING POUCHED
NEA/ARP). AMERICAN CONCERN TO HELP YEMEN IN MIDST OF
OTHER URGENT AND CRITICAL MATTERS IS DUE TO HANDFUL
OF FRIENDS OF YEMEN AMONG WHOM YOU ARE FOREMOST.

I MUST EXPRESS MY ESTEEM FOR AMERICA'S GREAT
EFFORTS TO DEVELOP RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.
I ALSO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO FACT OF YEMEN'S UNIQUENESS
AMONG UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES: ITS ABSENCE OF CONTACT
WITH EUROPE FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS, AND CONSEQUENT
LACK OF DEVELOPED INFRASTRUCTURE TO MATCH ITS
HUMAN RESOURCES.

YEMEN, WHICH HAS A SIZEABLE RESERVOIR OF HUMAN
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TALENT OVERFLOWING INTO ARABIAN PENINSULA, NEEDS TO

ADVANCE QUICKLY TO PROTECT ITSELF FROM POLITICAL
UPHEAVAL CAUSED BY ITS DEPRESSED CONDITIONS AND MEAGER
NATIONAL AWARENESS.

ALTHOUGH FIGURES FOR BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL
(USG) AID ARE SUBSTANTIAL, WE MUST VIEW THEM IN CONTEXT
PREVIOUS ISOLATION AND POOR PROSPECTS FOR YEMENI PRODUC-
TIVITY. THIS MAKES APPARENT TO US EFFORTS WE NEED TO
MAKE IN BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE TO IMPROVE YEMEN'S
PRODUCTIVE CAPABILITY, THUS PROTECTING YEMEN FROM CHAOS
WHICH WOULD AFFECT ITS NEIGHBORS. I AM SURE YOU SHARE
OUR ASPIRATIONS FOR YEMEN'S DEVELOPMENT.

PLEASE ACCEPT MY WISHES FOR HEALTH AND SUCCESS
AND MY SINCERE GREETINGS.
CRAWFORD

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